

MASS/MUSIC

Entrance: Festival Canticle #572

Loving and Forgiving #662

Lord Have Mercy: #914 Glory To God: #914

Liturgy of the Word

First Reading: Acts of the Apostles 10:34a, 37-43

Responsorial Psalm: This is the day the Lord has made;

let us rejoice and be glad.

Second Reading: Colossians 3:1-4

Gospel Acclamation: Christ, our paschal lamb, has been sacrificed; let us then feast with joy in the Lord.

Gospel: John 20:1-9 Homily Fr. Koo

Renewal of Baptismal Promises

Sprinkling: River Of Glory #652

Prayers of the Faithful: Response:-Lord hear our prayer

Liturgy of the Eucharist

Offertory: Morning Has Broken #635

Holy: #918

Memorial Acclamation: When we eat this Bread and drink this Cup, we proclaim your Death, O Lord, until you come again.

Lord's Prayer

What's Happening

Lamb of God: #923

Communion: I Am The Bread Of Life #342

Meditation: Down To The River To Pray #656

Recessional: Alleluia, Alleluia #175

UPCOMING EVENTS

April 3rd, 4th, 10th, 11th-No Daily Mass

April 4th-Adoration 9:30-10:30

April 7th-Divine Mercy Sunday (guest priest Fr. Bob)

April 8th-Visitation Singers

April 14th-3rd Sunday of Easter; Social Sunday

April 21st-4th Sunday of Easter

April 28th-5th Sunday of Easter; KOC Pancake Breakfast

May 2nd-Adoration 9:30-10:30am

OFFERTORY COLLECTION FOR March 24, 2024

Collection: \$ 2,381
Second Collection: Easter Flowers \$ 684
Total Offertory Collection Year to Date
Total Budget Projection \$ 89,787

There is no second collection today.

We signed the following principal checks this week:

\$395 Lawn Care; \$179 Copy costs.

EASTER SUNDAY

Please join us after Mass today for our Annual Easter Egg Hunt. Although all chocolate lovers might like to participate, we have to restrict the hunt to all children 12 and under. Please congregate after Mass in the Fellowship Hall for instructions. If you need a container, we will have one for you. When you are finished, please remember to empty the candy from the eggs and leave the eggs in the box provided. We will use them next year.

Thank You and Happy Easter.



LEGACY GIFTS

How long has it been since you updated your will? Does it still express your wishes? Does it leave a gift to your church to carry on its ministry after your death?

You can share your faith beyond your lifetime by careful estate planning which includes your church in your will. During your lifetime you will have the joy of knowing that whatever you do not use in this life will continue in ministry through your church after your death.

When your estate planning documents are prepared by your attorney, you can include your church as the final beneficiary to receive any benefits that remain after other

HOLY WATER DISPENSERS

The pandemic amplified the need for a departure from the traditional way of blessing oneself when entering the church by dipping a hand in a bowl of Holy Water. We responded by purchasing two holy water dispensers (depicted in the photo) which only require you to place your hand in the device to receive some holy water. We have noticed that rather then using the new dispensers (for reasons unknown) parishioners have been dipping their hand (s) in the Baptismal Font.

Please remember to use the new devices to receive your initial blessing upon entering church. The Baptismal Font does not contain holy water.



SPRING ADULT BIBLE STUDY

The Holy Spirit in the Bible!

A Spring Adult Bible Study of The Holy Spirit in the Bible is scheduled to start on Wednesday, April 10th.

The study is six lessons, and we are planning to meet every Wednesday morning from 10:00-11:00, so the study will run through May 15th.

A second session will be offered each week on either Monday or Thursday evening for those who cannot make the morning sessions.

Contact John Weidner at jaweidnerl@verizon.net or 240-780-1872 if you would like to join our study group or if you would like additional information.



2024 APPEAL

This week we received our second donor report which showed 51 families have donated or pledged \$9940 to date, which is 112% of goal. Once again, we have achieved our goal, an unbroken record of success and compassion from a small rural community supporting the Diocesan Ministerial needs.

Take Home Lesson

It is still my hope that every family would consider contributing to this year's effort. Every gift, however small, does make a difference. Thank you again for your prayerful consideration of a donation. As before, we have pledge cards for your use. Please ask an usher or scan the code and visit the website to make a donation.

March 31, 2024 Witness to Faith

In the Gospel reading for Easter Sunday morning, we hear from the Gospel According to John how three of Jesus' closest disciples dealt with the discovery of the empty tomb.

After hearing from Mary Magdalene that the stone has been removed from the tomb, Peter and the other disciple run to the tomb. Peter enters the tomb, sees the linen, but we don't hear in this gospel what he believes.

"Then the other disciple, who reached the tomb first, also went in, and he saw and believed." (John 20:8)

What he saw was a curious detail included only in John's telling of the Gospel: the cloth which had covered Jesus' head was rolled up in a separate place. Father Richard Vera speculates that this was a sort of detail of Jesus' daily life, like how he made his bed every morning, witnessed many times by his close friend and providing the vital clue that caused him to see and believe.

Seeing is believing. Sometimes hearing is believing.

John's narrative of events at the tomb shifts back to Mary Magdalene. (John 20:11-18) She looks into the tomb but does not enter. She is the first of the disciples to see the risen Jesus, but she does not recognize Him, perhaps because her eyes are filled with tears.

"Woman," he said, "why are you crying?" Who is it you are looking for?" Thinking he was the gardener, she said, "Sir, if you have carried him away, tell me where you have put him, and I will get him." Jesus said to her, "Mary." She turned toward him and cried out in Aramaic, "Rabboni!" (which means Teacher).

Jesus calls Mary by name. This is the way of the Good Shepherd, who calls his sheep by name, and they follow him, because they recognize his voice. (John 10:3-4) We are also reminded of this passage from Isaiah:

"Do not fear, for I have redeemed you; I have called you by name: you are mine. You are precious in my eyes and honored, and I love you. Fear not, for I am with you." (Isaiah 43:1b,4,5)

Jesus is with us today.

How can you see Jesus or hear Him in the people you encounter at Church and throughout daily life?



Please remember in your prayers

Robert Cummins, Catharine Aumueller, Jerry McMurtrie, William Richardson and Paul Sherwood



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If you need to add to the prayer list or would like a Mass intention please call the office, email, or leave a note in the box outside the office.

EASTER FLOWERS IN HONOR/LOVING MEMORY OF

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Thank you all who have donated to our Easter Flowers. God Bless Everyone!

